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[Project No. 12455-011]

Borough of Lehighton, Pennsylvania; Notice of Application Accepted for Filing, Soliciting Comments, Motions to Intervene, and Protests

Take notice that the following hydroelectric application has been filed with the Commission and is available for public inspection:

a. Types of Proceeding: Surrender of License

b. Project No.: 12455-011

c. Date Filed: March 4, 2014

d. Licensee: Borough of Lehighton, Pennsylvania

e. Name of Project: Beltzville Hydroelectric Project

- f. Location: The unconstructed project was to be connected to the U.S. Army Corps of Engineers Beltzville dam which is located on Pohopoco Creek about 5 miles upstream of its confluence with the Lehigh River, and approximately 4 miles northeast of the Borough of Lehighton in Carbon County, Pennsylvania...
- g. Filed Pursuant to: 18 CFR 6.2
- h. Licensee Contact: Nicole Beckett, Manager, Borough of Lehighton, Borough Hall, 1 Constitutional Avenue, Lehighton, PA 18235.
- i. FERC Contact: Ms. Krista Sakallaris, (202) 502-6302, Krista.Sakallaris@ferc.gov
- j. Deadline for filing comments and protests is 30 days from the issuance of this notice by the Commission. Please file your submittal electronically via the Internet (eFiling) in lieu of paper. Please refer to the instructions on the Commission's Web site under http://www.ferc.gov/docs-filing/efiling.asp and filing instructions in the Commission's Regulations at 18 CFR section 385.2001(a)(1)(iii). To assist you with eFilings you should refer to the submission guidelines document at http://www.ferc.gov/help/submission-guide/user-guide.pdf. In addition, certain filing requirements have statutory or regulatory formatting and other instructions. You should refer to a list of these "qualified documents" at http://www.ferc.gov/docs-

filing/efiling/filing.pdf. You must include your name and contact information at the end of your comments. Please include the project number (P-12455-011) on any documents or motions filed. The Commission strongly encourages electronic filings; otherwise, you should submit an original and seven copies of any submittal to the following address: The Secretary, Federal Energy Regulatory Commission, Mail Code: DHAC, PJ-12, 888 First Street, NE, Washington, DC 20426.

- k. Description of Proceeding: On March 4, 2014, the Borough of Lehighton, Pennsylvania filed a letter stating that the Lehighton Borough Council decided to no longer pursue the Beltzville hydroelectric project. The licensee has not started construction and no ground disturbance has occurred at the project. As such, the surrender of the licensee's license is an administrative action.
- l. This notice is available for review and reproduction at the Commission in the Public Reference Room, Room 2A, 888 First Street, NE, Washington, DC 20426. The filing may also be viewed on the Commission's website at http://www.ferc.gov/docs-filing/elibrary.asp. Enter the Docket number (P-12455-011) excluding the last three digits in the docket number field to access the notice. You may also register online at http://www.ferc.gov/docs-filing/esubscription.asp to be notified via email of new filings and issuances related to this or other pending projects. For assistance, call toll-free 1-866-208-3676 or e-mail FERCOnlineSupport@ferc.gov. For TTY, call (202) 502-8659.
- m. Individuals desiring to be included on the Commission's mailing list should so indicate by writing to the Secretary of the Commission.
- n. Comments, Protests, or Motions to Intervene: Anyone may submit comments, a protest, or a motion to intervene in accordance with the requirements of Rules of Practice and Procedure, 18 CFR 385.210, .211, .214. In determining the appropriate action to take, the Commission will consider all protests or other comments filed, but only those who file a motion to intervene in accordance with the Commission's Rules may become a party to the proceeding. Any comments, protests, or motions to intervene must be received on or before the specified comment date for the particular application.
- o. Filing and Service of Responsive Documents: Any filing must (1) bear in all capital letters the title "COMMENTS", "PROTEST", or "MOTION TO INTERVENE" as applicable; (2) set forth in the heading the name of the applicant and the project number of the application to which the filing responds; (3) furnish the name, address, and telephone number of the person protesting or intervening; and (4) otherwise comply with the requirements of 18 CFR 385.2001 through 385.2005. All comments, motions to intervene, or protests must set forth their evidentiary basis and otherwise comply with the

requirements of 18 CFR 4.34(b). All comments, motions to intervene, or protests should relate to project works which are the subject of the license surrender. Agencies may obtain copies of the application directly from the applicant. A copy of any protest or motion to intervene must be served upon each representative of the applicant specified in the particular application. If an intervener files comments or documents with the Commission relating to the merits of an issue that may affect the responsibilities of a particular resource agency, they must also serve a copy of the document on that resource agency. A copy of all other filings in reference to this application must be accompanied by proof of service on all persons listed in the service list prepared by the Commission in this proceeding, in accordance with 18 CFR 4.34(b) and 385.2010.

p. Agency Comments – Federal, state, and local agencies are invited to file comments on the described proceeding. If any agency does not file comments within the time specified for filing comments, it will be presumed to have no comments.

Dated: March 24, 2014.

Kimberly D. Bose, Secretary.

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